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Plant List

1944-45

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Greetings, Customers!

PEOPLE are turning their attention to their gardens with increased interest since they must of necessity spend more time at home than ever before. We welcome the opportunity to assist you in planning what plants will best serve your needs. The list herewith offered will furnish some idea of the plants we raise. At some future time a descriptive list will be made available. Many names are omitted for lack of space but we will always be glad to have you write or call about other species we might have in limited quantity.

VISITORS are always welcome but our small staff makes it impossible for someone to be available to help you at all hours; so we suggest, for your convenience as well as ours, that you telephone first when planning a visit to us, especially when coming from any distance. Closing time—5 o'clock.

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We attempt to name plants correctly but no guarantee is expressed or implied. Growing conditions affect plants so much that they may look entirely different in your garden than they did in the nursery. They leave us in good condition and should do well if properly grown.

In order to give the most information possible in the least space, each plant name is followed by the color of the flower, ultimate height or height of blossom—whichever applies, and approximate time of flowering. All plants with the exception of "rooted cuttings" are ready to set out into the garden although different groups may vary in maturity. A dwarf shrub is comparatively young and small at three to five years while an herbaceous perennial should be divided and reset that often.

Rock Plants

A good rock garden demands special attention to the soil when planting. Sandy loam, peat moss and well rotted manure in equal portions provide a good base soil for general use. Plants with special requirements may have other ingredients added.

Be sure no air pockets are left when working with the soil, either when the rocks are set or when the plants are put in. The plant roots should be firmed well at the time of transplanting and after any freezing weather which might cause them to be heaved from the ground.

Such plants as dianthus and saxifrage profit from having the dead blossoms removed after flowering unless seed is desired.

AETHIONEMA WARLEY HYBRID-rose, 6", May\$	0.35
ALYSSUM SAXATILE—yellow, 10", April	.25
A. SAXATILE CITRINUM—pale yellow, 12", April	.25
ANEMONE NEMEROSA ALLENI—lavendar blue, 8", April	.50
A. PULSATILLA—lavendar, 6" to 12", March	.35
AQUILEGIA ALPINA-blue, 12", May	.35
A. FLABELLATA NANA ALBA—white, 6", April	.50
ARABIS—evergreen—white, 6", April	.15
A. ALPINA—white, 4", March	.15
A. ALPINA FLORE PLENO-dbl. white, 10", April	.25
A. ALPINA ROSEA—mauve, 4", March	.15
A. ALPINA VARIEGATA—white, 4", March	.25
ARMERIA CAESPITOSA—pink, 3", May	.50
A. MARITIMA—deep rose, 8", May	.25
ARTEMISIA SCHMIDTIANA NANA—silver foliage, 4"	.50
ASTILBE CHINENSIS PUMILA—rose, 8", May	.50
AUBRIETIA—several colors, 4", March	.25
BUXUS SUFFRUTICOSUS—12" maximum	.75

Aethionema Warley Hybrid





Campanula pusilla alba

CAMPANULA ISTRIACA—pale blue, 3", May	.25
C. PORSCHARSKYANA—gray blue, 6", May	.25
C. PUSILLA—lavendar blue, 4", May	.25
C. PUSILLA ALBA—white, 4", May	.25
C. RADDEANA—deep violet, 12", May	.25
C. ROTUNDIFOLIA—dwarf—blue, 6", May	.25
C. TURBINATA—blue or white, 6", June	.25
CHRYSANTHEMUM AMELIA-pink or white, 12", August	.35
C. GLORYMUM—yellow with red tips, 18", July	.50
C. GLORY OF OAKS—yellow, 18", summer	.35
COTONEASTER ADPRESSA—deciduous, spreading	1.50

Campanula istriaca





Dianthus Annie Laurie

COTONEASTER HENRYI—upright, 8 ft., very large growing	.75
C. MICROPHYLLA GLACIALIS—12", evergreen	.75
C. TIBETICUS-4 ft., graceful	1.00
DAPHNE CNEORUM—pink, 10", May	.50
D. MEZEREUM—lilac purple, 2 ft., February	2.00
DIANTHUS ANNIE LAURIE—pink, 6", June	.25
D. BARBATUS-midget Sweet William-6", summer	.25
D. COCCINEUS-bright red, 6", June	.25
D. GRANITICUS-deep pink, 6", June	.25
D. CAESIUS-pink, 4", June	.25
D. CARYOPHYLLUS—Carnation—pink, 10", summer	.25
D. ELINOR—rosy red, 12", summer	.25
D. LITTLE JOE-crimson, 8", summer	.60
D. PLUMARIUS-Cinnamon Pinks-pink, 10", June	.25
DOUGLASIA VITALIANA—citron yellow, 3", May	.75
DRABA OLYMPICA—mustard yellow, 4", May	.50
ERYSIMUM PULCHELLUMsulphur yellow, 6", April	.35
ESCALLONIA APPLE BLOSSOM—pink, 6 ft., July	1.00
E. RUBRUM—garnet, 4 ft., July	1.00
ERIGERON GLABELLA-layendar, 8", April	.25

Dianthus graniticus





Mahonia aquifolium

GENTIANA ACAULIS—rich blue, 3, early spring	./3
G. EXCISA—brilliant blue, 3", early spring	1.00
G. SEPTEMFIDA—sapphire blue, 6", autumn	.50
GERANIUM SANGUINEUM—blood red, creeping, July	.35
G. SANGUINEUM ALBUM—white, creeping, July	.50
G. SANGUINEUM LANCASTRIENSE—pink, creeping, July	.50
HEDERA HELIX—Small Leaved Ivy	.25
H. H. CONGLOMERATA ERECTA—Tree Ivy—2 to 3 ft.	.50
H. H. CONGLOMERATA—slow growing creeper	.50
HELIANTHEMUM VULGARE—Rock Rose—6", summer35 and	.50
Apricot, Yellow, Pink, Red, Wendell's Rose, Brunette (burnt orange), and double yellow.	
HELLEBORUS ORIENTALE—white to maroon, 12", February	2.00
HEPATICA TRILOBA—white to light blue, 3", January	.25
ILEX CRENATA—dwarf, small leaved holly	.75
IRIS CRISTATA—lavendar, 7", April	.25
I. DOUGLASIANA—white, 12", May	.25
I. LACUSTRIS—lavendar, 6", April	.25
I. PUMILA—purple, 8", April	.25
I. TECTORUM ALBUM—white, 12", May	.35
I. TENAX—purple, 10", May	.25
ISOTOMA FLUVIATILE—white striped blue, 1", May	.25
LEDUM PALUSTRE-pink, 18", May	.50
LEWISIA COLUMBIANA—pink, 6", May	.50
L. COLUMBIANA ROSEA—deep rose, 6", May	.50
L. FINCHII—apricot, 8", May	.50
LITHOSPERMUM PROSTRATUM—gentian blue, 3", May25 and	.50
MAHONIA AQUIFOLIUM—yellow, 4 ft., April	1.00
NEPETA CATARIA—Catnip, 18"	.50
N. MUSSINI SIX HILLS—lavendar, 12", summer	.35

OMPHALODES VERNA—Creeping forget-me-not, April	.50
O. CAPPADOCICA—sky blue, 6", April	.50
PHLOX SUBULATA ALBA, ATROPURPUREA, BLUE HILLS,	
CAMLENSIS (pink) and SPRITE (lavendar)—low	.25
PIERIS FLORIBUNDA—creamy white, 3 ft., February	1.00
PENSTEMON SALMON LA SAC—deep rose, 12", May	.50
POTENTILLA TONGUEI—apricot, 4", June	.35
PULMONARIA SACCHARATA—blue, 4", April	.35
RANUNCULUS MONTANUS—butter yellow, 3", May	.35
ROSES—Miniature—pink, red (Oakington Ruby),	
lighter pink (Rouletti)	.50
SAXIFRAGA AEIZOON—white, 10", April	.35
S. AEIZOON ROSEA—rosy pink, 10", April	.35
S. MEGASEA CORDIFOLIA—pink, 18", March	.50
S. MEGASEA CRASSIFOLIA—cherry red, 12", March35 and	.50
S. UMBROSA NANA—pink, 4", spring	.35
SEDUM SPATHULIFOLIUM—yellow, 6", April	.25
S. REFLEXUM & REFLEXUM CRISTATUM—yellow, 8", April	.25
SEMPERVIVUM ARACHNOIDEUM—Spiderweb Hen-&-Chick	.35
S. TECTORUM—Large Hen-&-Chickens	.25
SENECIO CINERARIA—Dusty Miller—gray foliage	.25
SISYRINCHIUM BELLUM—Blue Eyed Grass, 8", May	.35
TOLMIEA MENZIESII—Piggy Back Plant	.35
TUNICA SAXIFRAGA FLORE PLENO—pink, 6", August	.25
VERONICA HECTORI—inconspicuous fls., 18"	1.00
VIOLA-Double Russian-purple, 4", April	.35
V. ODORATA ROSINA—old rose, 4", April	.35
V. ODORATA THE CZAR—white, 4", April	.35

Grouping of Rock Plants

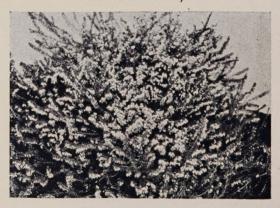


Heathers

Year round color of flower and foliage are offered by the heaths. The soil for them should abound in peat moss; may be neutral or slightly acid; and, should contain plenty of well rotted manure. Prune heathers after flowering to keep plants low and compact.

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BRUCKENTHALIA SPICULIFOLIA—pink, 8", June			
CALLUNA VULGARIS ALBA—white, 15", summer			.35
C. V. ALPORTII—red purple, 18", August			.50
C. V. COUNTY WICKLOW-dbl. pink, 10", August	.50	and	.75
C. V. FLORE PLENO—dbl. lavendar, 15", July			.75
C. C. FOXII NANA-pink, 4", summer			1.00
C. V. MRS. J. H. HAMILTON-dbl. pink, 8", September			.50
C. V. MCKAYI—pale lavendar, 8", June	35	and	.50
C. V. MINIMA-lavendar, 6", summer			.35
C. V. MINIMA SMITH'S VAR.—lavendar, 5", summer	35	and	.75
C. V. NANA-lavendar, 4", summer			.35
C. V. PYGMAEA—lavendar, 8", summer			.35
C. V. VARIEGATA-pink, 15", summer	35,	.50,	.75
DABOECIA POLIFOLIA—purple, 15", July			.75
ERICA ARBOREA ALPINA—white, 4 ft., September			1.50
E. CARNEA VIVELLI-crimson, prostrate, January			.50
E. CILIARIS-rose, 10", July			.50
E. CINEREA-reddish purple, 15", August			.50
E. C. ALBA-white, 15", August			1.00
E. C. DOMINO-white, 9", August			1.00
E. C. GOLDEN DROP—(rooted cuttings)			.50
E. C. RUBRUM-brilliant red, 6", July			.50
E. DAWN-soft pink, 10", all summer			.50
E. MCKAYI FLORE PLENO-dbl. pink, 10", June			.50
E. MEDITERRANEAN HYBRID-rosy lavendar, 12", January			.50
E. STRICTA—deep rose, 4 ft., August			1.00
E. TETRALIX—soft pink, 12", June			.50
E. T. ALBA—white, 10", June			.50
E. T. MOLLIS—white tinged with pink, 12", May			.50
E. VAGANS-lilac, 15", August			.75
E. V. ALBA—white, 15", August			.50
E. V. MRS. MAXWELL-bright rose, 15", September			.75
E. V. ST. KEVERNE—rose pink, 12", September			.50
E. WILLIAMSI-pink, 15", July			.50
E. WYCH—light pink, 18", June			.75

Erica Mediterranean Hybrid





Primula polyantha

Primroses

While rich loam and partial shade are considered prime requisites for fine primroses yet you find them flowering beautifully under many other conditions. Primroses begin to flower in earliest spring with the polyantha and acaulis varieties and continue for several months.

PRIMULA ACAULIS-mixed colors, 6", March\$	0.25
P. ACAULIS—blue, very low, March	.50
P. AURICULA-mixed colors, 8", May, smooth lvs.	.50
P. AURICULA—yellow	.75
P. CASHMERIANA—pale purple, 10", April	.50
P. POLYANTHA-mixed colors, 8", March	.25
P. DOROTHY—soft creamy yellow, 6", April	1.00
P. HYBRID-orchid, 5", April	.75
P. JULIAE—claret, creeping, April	.50
P WANDA doop purple 6" April	50

Primula cashmeriana



Conifers

Sun and moist sandy soil suit the dwarf spruces (Picea) and junipers best while the majority of the other conifers in this list prefer richer soil, more moisture, and as much sun. There are suitable forms for every location in the rock garden and if you have never used these low growing shrubs you have missed an opportunity for interest and accent.

NOTE: Colors in descriptions refer to foliage rather than flowers.

ABIES LASIOCARPA—narrowly conical tree		\$2.50
A. NOBILIS—thin, soft foliage; symmetrical		2.50
A. PINSAPO GLAUCA—stiff, very slow growing		5.00
CHAMAECYPARIS LAWSONIANA FLETCHERI-gray, 6 ft.		1.50
C. L. MINIMA-18", broadly conical		2.00
C. L. NANA-globose, blue green foliage		1.00
C. L. PISIFERA FILIFERA NANA-12", light green	1.00 and	3.00
C. OBTUSA-Hinoki Cypress-8 ft., shelving		4.00
C. O. GRACILIS-6 ft., denser growth	.75 and	2.50
C. PISIFERA DUMOSA-12", silvery green		1.50
CRYPTOMERIA JAPONICA NANA-15", bronze in winter.		1.00
JUNIPERUS MONTANA—gray foliage, creeping		.75
J. COMMUNIS COMPRESSA-18", columnar, gray green	1.00 and	3.50
J. HORIZONTALIS PROSTRATA—gray green		.75
J. VARIEGATA—golden and green foliage, prostrate		.50
PICEA ABIES CONICA-2 ft., pyramidal	1.50 and	7.50
P. A. CAPITATA—12", rounded contour		1.50
P. A. CLANBRASILIANA-18", dome shaped, dense		1.50
P. A. NIDIFORMIS—close growing branches, ball		1.50
P. A. PROCUMBENS-9", flat topped, compact		1.50
P. A. PUMILA-9", depressed top, globular		1.50
P. A. REPENS-12", more open in habit		
P. ORIENTALIS—slow growing tree, pyramidal		5.00
TAXUS CUSPIDATA AUREA—new needles are golden		1.00
T. C. NANA-2 ft., spreading branches, dark green	.75 and	3.50
VERONICA CUPRESSOIDES NANA-12", globose		1.00

Picea abies clanbrasiliana (in foreground)



Dwarf Brooms

Brooms like sunny banks and crannies where the soil is not particularly rich. Their gay flowers brighten the scene in late spring and early summer.

CYTISUS DECUMBENS—bright yellow, prostrate, June	50
C. KEWENSIS—creamy white, prostrate, early spring 1.0	00
C. PURPUREUS—purple mauve, 18", May	00
GENISTA HORRIDA—yellow, 10", summer, spiny bracts 1.00 and 2.5	50
G. SAGITTALIS—butter yellow, procumbent, July	50

Rhododendrons and Azaleas

Acid soil and plenty of water in late summer during the growing season will help to keep these choice shrubs in good health. To acidify neutral or alkaline soil use a pound of sulphur to 100 sq. ft. Dwarf rhododendrons and azaleas are particularly desirable for rock garden use since they are very slow growing.

AZALEA BALSAMINAEFLORA—dbl. orange red, 8", May \$.50 and	\$1.00
A. FLAME CREEPER—single orange red, 4", May	1.50
A. HEXE—brilliant red, 10", April	1.50
A. HINODEGIRI ALBA—white, 15", May	.50
A. HINODEGIRI FLAME & PINKEY—Spring, 1945	.50
RHODODENDRON CILIATUM—pink, 3 ft., March	1.50
R. DAPHNOIDES—rose, 2 ft., May, leathery leaves	1.50
R. FASTIGIATUM—light purple, 2 ft., April	1.50
R. FERRUGINEUM—Alpine Rose—carmine, 1 ft., May	1.50
R. GLAUCUM-rosy pink, 2 ft., April	1.50
R. HIRSUTUM—rose, 2 ft., May	1.50
R. IMPEDITUM—mauve, 15", April, small gray leaves	1.50
R. MUCRONULATUM—rosy lavendar, 3 ft., February	3.50
R. RACEMOSUM—clear pink fls. in heads, 4 ft., April	1.50

Rooted cuttings of most of these rhododendrons and azaleas will be ready for Spring, 1945, delivery and will sell at 50c each.

Azalea hinodegiri alba



Creepers and Ground Covers

Many banks and narrow strips of ground which are unsatisfactory when planted in lawn become a source of great pleasure when planted with one or more of these low, spreading plants. Requirements differ according to the plant. Those which are happy around and under rhododendrons and other ericaceous plants are marked with an asterisk.

			Per Flat
,	AJUGA GENEVENSIS—blue fls., green lvs., spring\$.15	
,	A. REPTANS RUBRA—purple fls., bronzy lvs., spring	.15	
* /	ARCTOSTAPHYLOS UVA-URSI—Kinnikinnick	.25	
E	BELLIUM MINUTUM—miniature white to pink daisies	.35	
(COTULA SQUALIDA—ferny foliage, likes shade	.15	\$2.50
I	DRYAS SUNDERMANNII—white, anemone like fls	.50	
ı	OTUS CORNICULATUS—yellow, pea shaped fls	.25	
١	NIEREMBERGIA RIVULARIS—white cups, spring	.25	
9	SAGINA SUBULATA—white stars, mossy, summer	.15	1.50
1	THYMUS SERPYLLUM—Creeping ThymeWhite, pink, lavendar and red	.15	2.50
*\	VANCOUVERIA HEXANDRA—creamy fls., 8", April	.50	
*\	VACCINEUM VITIS IDAE—shell pink, 6", spring	.50	•
*1	V. VITIS IDAE MINOR—shell pink, 2", spring	.75	
١	VINCA MINOR—Myrtle—blue, white or red purple	.15	2.50

Creeping Thyme



Water Plants

A well planned pool will not only have water lilies, whose flowering season is short, but will contain bog and other water plants to lengthen the season of bloom and will also have some submerged oxygenating plants for the fish. Snails are good scavengers and will complete the balance of the water garden.

AZOLLA—Water Fern—per portion).10
ANACHARIS-Elodea-Fish Greens-per bunch	.25
BOGBEAN—large trifoliate lvs.	.25
CATTAIL—6 ft., usurps all space available	.25
IRIS PSEUDACORUS—yellow, 3 ft., July	.25
I. VERSICOLOR—blue, 2 ft., July	.25
MYRIOPHYLLUM—Fish Greens—per bunch	.25
POTAMOGETON—Pondweed—submerged oxygenator	.25
SAGITTARIA LANCIFOLIA—white, 2 ft., May	.25
S. NATANS—submerged, 6"	.25
S. SAGITTAEFOLIA—true Arrowhead, 2 ft., white	.25
WATER FORGET ME NOT-blue, 6", all summer	.25
WATER HYACINTH—floating, lavendar, not hardy, do not order before May 1	.25
WATER POPPY—butter yellow, surface, May	.25
WATER LILIES—supply varies with the season—write for prices if interested.	
SNAILS—several varieties	.02
Trapdoor Occasionally are not available in the season when they are propagating.	.10

Pool and Rockery





Aquilegia chrysantha

Perennials

Few Plants require less attention for the return given than the tall perennials which are used in borders and beds for summer color and which provide such quantities of cut flowers if well fertilized. Most of them prefer a sunny location.

ANTHEMIS TINCTORIA—bright yellow, 3 ft., July	\$0.35
AQUILEGIA CHRYSANTHA—light yellow, 2 ft., June	.25
ARTEMISIA LACTIFLORA—creamy white, 4 ft., August	.25
A. SILVER KING—silvery foliage, 3 ft.	.25
ASTILBE—pink or white, 18", June	.50
CAMPANULA PERSICIFOLIA—blue or white, 4 ft., May	.25
DELPHINIUM CLIVEDEN BEAUTY—light blue, 5 ft	.50
DICENTRA FORMOSA—rosy pink, 8", spring	.25
FOXGLOVE—mixed colors, 5 ft., June	.25
GAILLARDIA GOBLIN—red and yellow, 10", summer	.35
IRIS PSEUDACORUS—yellow, 3 ft., July	.25
I. SIBIRICA—blue, 3 ft., May	1.00
LYCHNIS CHALCEDONICA—brick red, 3 ft., June	.35
ORIENTAL POPPY—scarlet, 18", July	.35
PAPAVER NUDICAULE—apricot, 18", summer	.25
PEPPERMINT—for the herb garden or window sill	.25
PHLOX DECUSSATA—white, low early deep pink, and tall late deep pink	.25
PYRETHRUM—mixed colors, 2 ft., May	.25
SHASTA DAISY—white, 2 ft., July	.25

Perennial Asters

Excellent for color in summer and early fall.

25c each

DWARF

DAPHNE-soft pink

COUNTESS OF DUDLEY-pink

MARJORIE-bright rose

NANCY—lavendar pink

NIOBE-white

SNOWSPRITE-white

TALL

BARR'S PINK-deep rose

ERECOIDES—tiny white fls.

FARRERI-violet

LUTEUS-small yellow fls.

CLIMAX—lavendar blue

SKYLANDS QUEEN-light blue

50c each

FRIKARTI-blue, 2 ft.

HARRINGTON'S PINK-3 ft.

Delphinium Cliveden Beauty





Chamaecyparis obtusa